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1. The foundry at Munpyong (127-22, 39-14) was organized as follows:

- A. Factory manager: CHO Sok-ip (曹 錫一), graduate of the Pyongyang Industrial College and member of the North Korean Labor Party (NKLP). His salary was 5,000 North Korean won a month.
- B. Technicians: 15, of whom 14 were members of the NKLP.
- C. Soviet advisor: A.G. Aru, 35 years old, supervisor of planning, production and shipment to the Soviet Union.
- D. Laborers: 1,500, of whom 1,000 were NKLP members. A daily reading class was held for the laborers, in which newspapers were read and world events discussed.

2. The quantities of raw materials received monthly and their sources were as follows:

Item	Quantity Monthly in tons	Source
Ore	9,000	Various North Korean mines
Coke	5,000	Smokeless coal used as a substitute for coke
Coal	5,000	Aoji (130-21, 42-31) coal mine
Smokeless coal	2,500 (lump) 1,500 (powder)	Kowon (127-15, 39-26) coal mine Sadong (125-49, 39-01) coal mine
Residue (?)	100	Hungnam (127-36, 39-50) plant
Sulphuric acid	100	Hungnam plant

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3. The products of the plant were all shipped to the Soviet Union from Wonsan except the oxygen and arsenic, which were distributed to North Korean industrial plants. They included the following:

Item	Quantity Monthly
Coarse lead	1,124 tons
Electric lead (?)	1,175 tons
Coarse gold	70 kilograms
Electric silver (?)	390 kilograms
Oxidized silver	60 kilograms
Arsenious acid	4.6 kilograms
Bismuth	470 kilograms
Oxygen	10,000 kilograms
Arsenic	200 tons

4. The smelting building was partially destroyed by three bombs on 1 September. But the other buildings, which included the main office, electrolysis building, foundry, and arsenious acid lead factory, were safely evacuated to a valley about three miles from Mumpyong. Of the other factories in Mumpyong, the zinc factory, employing 2,500 persons, was partially destroyed and the oxygen plant, employing 100 persons, was not damaged as of December 1950.